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SUBJECT.

Archakship of the Annamacharya Sannidhi in the Sri Narayanaswamy temple at Melkote

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SUBJECT.

Archakship of the Annavaru Sannidhi in the Sri Narayana Swami temple at Melkote

From

The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District

Letter No. 55 Dated 29th June, 1907.

The Deputy Commissioner of the Mysore District states that the pay of the archaks of the Sri Narayana Swami Annavaru Sannidhi & Sri Yoga Narasimha Swami at Melkote is Rs. 3 12 0 at Rs. 6/- per mensem respectively that the pay of the Annavaru Sannidhi archak be lowered the worship work conducted by the Narayana Swami Sannidhi Archak. This should be done owing to the illness of the archak of the Narayana Swami temple

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allotment of the archak of the Sri Narasimha swami temple on account of his son's death, the worship in the Ammanavaru sannidi was conducted on the night of 23rd March 1950. He therefore proposes that a separate archak may be appointed to the Ammanavaru Sannidi and requests that the archakamaniya pay may be raised from Rs 3-12-0 to Rs 7/- as no separate man can be procured on low pay, the excess amount being to be met from annual savings of Rs 48/ provided for the repairs in the Tasdik Part of the Sri Narasimha Swami temple Melkote

He submits for sanction a bill for Rs. 3 0 being the actual expenditure incurred for the revival of the Puje in the Sri Sannidhi, the charge being proposed to be debited from the savings of Archana in the Padavara or from the Festival Miscellaneous

In the revised Tasdik Patti one Krishnamachar's name is entered

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as the Baravarddar Archak of the Ammanavaru Sannidhi on pay Rs 3-12-0 per mensem. It is not understood why the Archak of the main temple has to perform the duties in the Ammanavaru Sannidhi when in the latter Shrine there is separate Archak, nor why Puja in that Sannidhi was stopped on the night of the 23d May 1907 if the Archak of the main temple was under pollution.

The small savings now available in the temple cannot bear the increased charge proposed.

Subdl
dt 26/8/07 2) Rubkari No 1617 & dt 7/7/07
& Dy Comr Mysore's Endg of
Certain information is required

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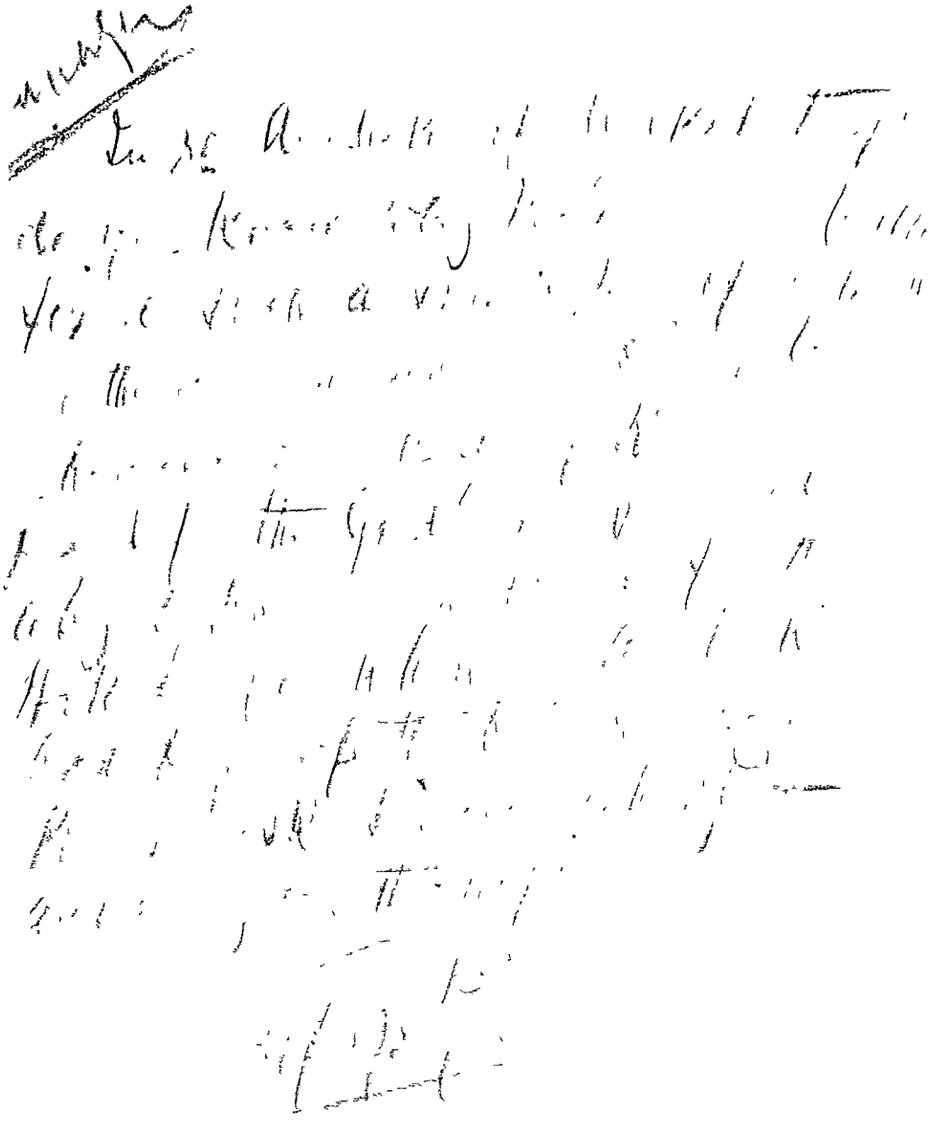

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3) No 121 & 10-9-10 from the Dy Comr Mysore Dt
Submitting detailed reports on the matter of separate archaks for the three temples.

The Depr Comr Mysore Dt reported in his letter no 55 & 29-7-07 that there being only 2 archaks for the three temples of Sri Narayana Swami temple, Lammanavaru Temple below, and Narasimhaswami temple on the hill; and the archak of the last temple having been in pollution on 23-5-07, & the other archak being ill, Puja in the Narasimha Swami temple had to be foregone in the night of that day; and that an archak from Srirangapatana had to be called in and puja in the temple on the hill revived, this arrangement involving a cost of Rs 3-13-0, a bill for which was sent for sanction. The Depr Comr further recommended that as under such circumstances there would be a lot of inconvenience; a separate archak for each of the three temples was desirable & that the pay of

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in order to secure the services of competent men, the pay of the Ammanavaru Sannidhi archak may be raised to Rs 9.

The following table shows the ~~salaries~~ names of the ~~archaks~~ archaks of the three temples with the Inviam attached to each -

No	Temple	archak	Inviam.
1)	Narayana Swami	Sampatkumara Narasaraja Bhatta	9-0-0
2)	Ammanavaru	Krishna Bhatta	3-12-0
3)	Narasimha Swami	Sampatkumara Narasaraja Bhatta	6-0-0

The above is according to revised list but the emoluments paid for archakship for Ammanavaru temple is too low, the following arrangements have been made & are now in force - viz :-

1) Narayana Swami temple & 2) Ammanavaru temple } Sampatkumara Narasaraja Bhatta

3) Narasimha Swami temple - Krishnabhatta.

These arrangements having been ~~found~~ disclosed by the Vern: correspondence which formed the enclosure to the Dy Comr's Comm: above referred

2. to, Rubkari no. 1617 of 24.9.07 was addressed to the Dy Comr from this office pointing the

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the following queries:—

(1) While Sampat Kumara Narasaraja Bhatta is entered as archak of Narayana Swami and Narasimhaswami temples, & Krishnabhatta of Ammanavaru temple, how is it that the latter (Krishnabhatta) is working on the hill ie in the Narasimha Swami temple?

(2) on what authority was this arrangement made & under whose orders has Sampat Kumara Narasaraja Bhatta been the archak in the Ammanavaru Temple? all original references should be submitted.

(3) As it is difficult for one person to do duty both in the Narayanaswami temple below & in the Narasimhaswami temple on the hill, Sampt: Narasi: Bhatta should nominate a competent person within the time prescribed by the Dy Comr; otherwise may the archakship of Ammanavaru Samidhi is liable to be filled in by Govt by a competent Panchanaka Agama Knowing person? Sampat Kumara Narasaraja Bhatta's wishes should be ascertained in this matter; and if he approves action should be taken accordingly. Govt a new man may be nominated & reported to Govt for sanction.

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(4) As the work in the Annamanavaru Temple is not always heavy, why should not the archak of the temple on the hill be ordered to work after the Annamanavaru Temple for one year drawing the mirasi of that temple in addn to his own emoluments, & the archak of the Annamanavaru Temple doing the reverse in the succeeding year?

(5) As the archak of the Annamanavaru Sannidhi gets a very low remuneration is it ~~is~~ not sufficient to give him a slight increase of pay & make the above arrangt?

The Dy Commr was requested to ~~report~~ submit his opinions on these matters.

5(3) 3 The Dy Comr has now subd his report
No. 121 & 10.9.10 on the points above raised & says, that

1) one Ramaswami Bhatta was originally the archak of the Annamanavaru Temple. On the erection of Narayana Swami Temple, Narasaraja Bhatta was appd archak of Narayana Swami temple & Krishnabhatta archak of Annamanavaru Temple. Ramaswami Bhatta having thus lost his place, he was permitted to do the archak's duty in the Narasimha Swami Temple the archakship & varaward of the latter having stood in the name of Sampat Kumara Narasaraja Bhatta. owing to the theft of a Kalasa in the Narasimha Swami

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temple, Ramaswami bhatta was suspended and according to the orders of the Rajkaran the present arrangement is being followed Narasaraj bhatta has been doing the ancillary duties in the Narayana Swami & Annamanavan Temples & Krishna bhatta in the Narasimha Swami temple. There is nothing to show that this arrangement was sanctd by higher authorities.

3) Narasaraj bhatta says that he might be permitted to do duty in the Narayana Swami Sannidhi, till the permanent varawardar comes up & that Govt may appt another archak for the Sri Narasimha Swami temple without prejudice to his hak.

4) The exchange suggested in the Rajkaran is not possible as there are only 2 archaks for 3 temples & as the income attached to the Annamanavan Temple is too low.

5) The Dy Comr recommends that three archaks ~~may~~ of diffr gotras may be appointed for these three temples in order to avoid inconvenience shown are of them ~~by reason should~~ be absent by reason of pollution, illness &c. and that the pay of the Annamanavan Temple & Narasimha Swami Temple be raised to 8 Rs each, the excess viz $(8 - 3\frac{3}{4}) + (8 - 6) = 6\frac{1}{4}$ Rs per month or 75 Rs per year being met from the annual savings of

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of 48 Rs and folka offerings.

The Dy Comr reports that recent incident that owing to the outbreak of plague at Melkote, both the archaks left the place without leave, & without handing over the jewels &c to anybody that they have been found to be quite safe. Archak Narasaraya Bhatta is reported to have died of plague & that Krishnabhatta has returned upset. The archak sent by the Palace deptt is doing the duty temporarily now, while Ramaswami Bhatta (above referred to & who has been under suspension) has been on the recommendation of the Dy Comr working under the Palace Deptt. This arrangement, the Dy Comr says, cannot continue long as the archak temporarily sent by the Palace deptt may be recalled at any moment. He therefore requests early orders in the matter.

The points requiring orders are the following :—

1) apptt of 3 archaks of diffr gotras to the three Sannidhis of Narasimhaswami, Amma Navaru & Narasimhaswami Sannidhis.

2) Increase of pay to the archaks of the Ammanavaru & Narasimhaswami Sannidhis to Rs 8 each.

3) Sanction to the bill of Rs 3 13-0 being the

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~~Date~~ Expse incurred on accot of Cenotaph in re the archak from Seringapatam in may 1907, which is not however referred to in the Dy Comrs present letter.

The Dy Comr further requests ~~says~~ that as it is difficult to secure the services of archaks there the names of some candidates for the post whom the agamiks of your office can recommend may be intimated to them, & that he would even like to import men from outside the province if they would be willing to come here for such small salaries.

Orders whether

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Submitted to Second Commissioner.

It is ~~very~~ necessary has become very difficult to find competent archaks both in Vishnu and Siva Temples. Melkote is a very important temple with a reputation extending beyond this Province. It is very necessary to have good archaks there and incidentally to raise the emoluments so as to attract good men.

In addition to this fixed Jaridi of about Rs. 20,000 a year this temple gets under various accounts from the Jolada a 1 Rs. 300 a year from the lands in the Channarayapa-

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Submit - The total amount is available for expenditure and the former, above, I believe is similarly available.

The draft submitted may be approved

Abdurrahman

5/11/1910

44 Rs 6 & Rs 3/12 are too low for Archakas to live upon — and the pay may be raised to 8 Rs as proposed for all the three men. It should be possible to find the extra money from savings out of the large sum expended in this Temple.

Dewan

9/11/10

Submitted to the Dewan —

One of the archaks already gets Rs. 9. He is now 65 years of age & has worked a long time

Abdurrahman

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Draft approved by Dewan

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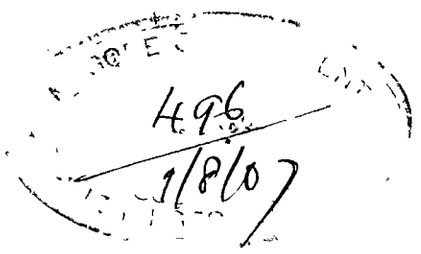

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From
M. Kondaraya Rao Esq B.A
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

To
L. Ananthasawmi Rao Esq B.A
Secy: to Govt Mysore Dept

Dated 29th July 1907

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Enclosure No. 1 Pte

Submits report in re the increase of pay of the archak of the Annamanavaru Samidhi at Melkote

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Dated Bangalore 29th July 1907

From [illegible]
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To His Highness His [illegible]
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Bangalore

Sir,

In submitting herewith the file of vernacular papers ending with memo No 1-24 dated 10.7.07 received from the Sub Divisional Officer French Rocks, I have the honor to state as follows:--

2. The pay of the Archaks of the Sri Narayana Swami, Ammanavaru Sannidhi and Sri yoganarasimha Swami temples at Melkote in the French Rocks Sub Taluk is Rs 9/- Rs 3.12-0 and Rs 6/- per mensem respectively.

3. The pay of the Archak of the Amma-navaru Sannidhi (viz 3.12-0) being low it is reported that a separate Archak could not be procured. The Archak of the Sri Narayana Swami temple therefore has been attending to the Puje of the Ammanavaru Sannidhi also. Thus it will be seen that there are two Archaks for 3 temples.

5. It is reported that on the 23rd May 1907 the Archak of the Sri yoga Narasimha

Narasimha Swami temple was in pollution owing to the death of his son and the Archak of the Sri Narayana Swami temple was ill. The Sub Divisional officer states that puja was conducted in the Sri Narayana Swami temple and Hanuman avaru Sannidhi with difficulty but as the Archak was so weak as not to ascend the hill the puje in the Sri yoganarasimha Swami temple on the night of 23.5.07 was not conducted. A separate Archak had therefore to be called from Seringapatam and puje revived in the said temple.

6. The accompanying bill for Rs 3-13-0 (2-4-0 being the cart-hire paid to the Archak and Rs 1-9-0 being the charges incurred for ಹೆಚ್ಚಳ) is submitted by the Sub Divisional officer for sanction the charge being proposed to be met from the savings of "Utsava Kalle Padithara" or, from the future "Hetchukalle Utsavam" expenses. As this expenditure was unavoidable and as the amount is reported to have been paid out of the temple imprest amount it-

it is requested that
may be pleased to accord their
sanction to the bill in question
7. In view to put a stop to the in-
-conveniences set forth in para
5 supra and as an inducement
to the Archaks the Sub Divisional
officer proposes that the pay of
the Archak of the Annamavaru
Sannidhi be raised from 3-12-0
to Rs 9/- per mensem the excess
charge being ordered to be met
from the annual savings (viz
Rs 48/-) out of the amount pro-
-vided for annual repairs
and from the savings effected in
the pay, Padithara and Golaka
realizations of the Sri Narayana
Swami temple.
8. The idea of having 3 separate
Archaks appears to me to be a
good one and Government may
therefore be pleased to appoint
a separate Archak and increase
the Daadis allotment of the Amma
navaru Sannidhi from Rs 3-12-0
to Rs 9/- per mensem as recom-
-mended by the Sub Divisional officer.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
your most obedient servant

Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

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From

M Kantaraj urs Esq B.A
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq B.A
Offg Secretary to the Govt of Mysore
Genl & Revl Departments
Dated Mysore Branch.

Despatched 10th September 1940

Received

General No. 121
No.

Enclosure No 1 file

Submits a detailed report re the appointment of separate Archaks in the Sannidhis of Narayana Swami Ammanavaru & Sri Narasimha Swami temples at Melkote.

1) new file, comments thereon
2) Submit note for Govt
Cabinet
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No. 121
Enc. No. 1 file

OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner
MYSORE DISTRICT,
Dated Mysore Camp 16th September 19

To
C. S. Balasundaram Ayer Esq., B.A
Offg: SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.
Muzrai Branch

Sir,

Adverting to your Rubakari No 1617 dated 24th September 1907 calling for further information regarding the appointment of Separate Archaks in the Sannidhis of the Sri Narayanaswamy, Ammanavaru and Sri Narasimha Swami at Melkote, I have the honor to state as follows:—

Prior to the revision of the Sri Narayana Swami temple at Melkote it is reported that Ramaswamy Bhatta

was

was the Archak of the Anumanavaru temple

In the revision Narasaraja Bhatta was appointed as the Archak of the Sri Naraya na Swami Sannidhi while Krishna Bhatta was appointed as Archak of the Anumanavara Sannidhi

As Ramaswamy Bhatta had no place report No 160 dated 5/6th october 19 0 is said to have been submitted to the then muzrai Secretary by the then Pe- shkar Thirumala Char to the effect that Ramaswamy Bhatta was permitted to do the Pooja in the Sri Narasimha Swami temple at melkote. It is stated that the baraward of the Archana Post in the Narasimha n Swamy temple originally stood in the name of Sampathkumara Narasaraja Bhatta

alias

alias Sampathkumara Shamanna and no orders have been received regarding the change of the baraward. Ramaswamy Bhatta, however, continued to do puja in the Sri Narasimha Swamy temple till the theft of the Kalasa of the temple when he was suspended. As no spare Archaks were available the then Peshkar ordered that Narasaraja Bhatta should do the Archana in the Swami and Ammanavaru Sannidhis and Krishna Bhatta should attend to the Pooja in the Sri Narasimhaswamy temple. This arrangement does not appear to have been sanctioned by the higher authorities but continued till very recently.

The exchange of the Archaks by turns as suggested in the Rubakari under

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reply is not possible as there are but two archaks for 3 Sannidhis and the increase in the Anumanavara Sannidhi is less.

Narasaraja Bhatta has stated that he may be permitted to do duty in the Sri Narayana Swami Sannidhi until the permanent barawaddar turns up and that Government may appoint another Archak for the Sri Narasimha Swami temple without prejudice to his hak.

The Divisional officer recommends that the pay of the Archaks of the Anumanavara and Narasimha Swami Sannidhis may be increased to Rs 8/-

In this connection I beg to invite reference

reference to my letter No. 66 of 9th August 1910 and to state that owing to the Plague scare at Melkote both the Archaks ran away without handing over charge of the temple jewels which, however, are reported to be safe. Archak Narasaraja Bhatta who was in Mysore died of Plague some days ago and that the other Archak Krishna Bhatta, who had absented himself from duty has not yet turned up. As already reported through the kind offices of the officer in charge of the Palace Establishments, I arranged to send an archak to Melkote temporarily but this Archak was recalled as it interfered with the work of the temples here under the Palace control. I wrote to the officer in charge

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of the Palace Establishments and arranged with him to take work temporarily from one Ramaswamy Bhatta until the Archak lent to the Melkote temples was sent back. This arrangement cannot continue long as the Archak sent to Melkote belongs to the Establishments of the temples under Palace control and may be recalled at any moment.

The question of appointing 3 separate Archaks of different Gotras was recommended for sanction of Government in 1895 and the matter has been under correspondence since then. I therefore beg that final orders may be passed early.

Unless the pay of the Archak's post

is sufficiently to not
to expect candidates for them. I therefore
propose that the pay of the Archaks in each
of the Sannidhis of Anumanavam and Sri
Narasimhaswami be raised to Rs 8/- per
mensem.

Owing to the paucity of Archaks
here it is rather difficult to secure them.
If the Agamiks of your office can suggest
the names of any Archaks, their names
and other particulars may kindly be in-
-timated to this office.

I would even go to the length of im-
porting suitable men from outside the Pro-
vince if any one wills to come on the
comparitively small pay offered to them

The file of vernacular papers bearing

on the [illegible] herewith submitted for

reference

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

[signature]

for Deputy Commissioner

Mysore District

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Date of issue

Signed by

READ—

Correspondence ending with IVo 121 dated 10th Sept-1910 from the Deputy Commr Mysore district, about raising the Pay of the ammanadaru Sannidhi archak from Rs 3-12 to Rs 8/- a month and the Pay of the Sri Narasimhas Temple archak from Rs 6/- to Rs 8/- a month at Melkote.

ORDER THEREON.—No.

order thereon No.

The Dy Commrs recommendation is sanctioned with effect from the 1st of this month

2) The Dy Commr is Consulted.

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to Point out the Source from which the Extra Charge is to be met and also to appoint at an early date three Competent archaks of Seperate Gotras for Sri Narayanaswami Sannidhi Anjaneyaswara Sannidhi and the Sri Narasimha Swamy Sannidhi

The fact of Such appointments should be reported for the information of Govt.

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for Secy to Govt.

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The Dy Comm, Mysore

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